

Appl. No. 10/050,395
Amtd. dated June 21, 2004
Supplemental Reply to Office Action of December 31, 2003
Attorney Docket K-1709

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is submitted as a supplement to the Amendment submitted June 11, 2004, in response to the Official Letter dated December 31, 2003. Claims 1, 3, 5-7, 10-13, and 16-19 and new claim 20 are currently pending for examination. Claims 2, 4, 8, 9, 14, and 15 have been cancelled.

1. Replace Prior Listing of Claims

Due to an unintentional internal document error, Claim 1 as submitted with the Amendment of June 11, 2004 was incorrect. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner substitute the Listing of Claims contained herein, including a corrected Claim 1, in place of the amended claims contained in the Amendment of June 11, 2004. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

2. Request For Telephone Interview

If the Examiner has any suggestions concerning different claim phraseology that, in the opinion of the Examiner, more accurately defines the present invention, prior to issuance of another Office Action, Applicant's undersigned attorney requests the courtesy of a telephone interview at the Examiner's earliest convenience to discuss the application. Applicant's undersigned attorney may be contacted at (724) 539-5485.

3. Conclusion

In view of the amendments and remarks submitted in the Amendment of June 11, 2004, and the listing of amended claims presently submitted, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early Notice Of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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